# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
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Cyber Cafe in Rural Areas
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**Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:**

(a) whether the Government proposes to open cyber cafes in rural areas of the country;
(b) if so, the details thereof along with the aims and objectives;
(c) whether certain areas have been identified for the purpose; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

(a) to (d): There is no proposal under consideration of Government of opening cyber cafes in rural areas of the country. The Government is rolling out Common Services Centres (CSCs) in the country. It is envisaged to set up at least one CSC in each of 2,50,000 Gram Panchayats. 1,78,277 CSCs have been set up till February 2016, out of which 1,22,065 CSCs are in Gram Panchayats.